

**PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY**

Provider Appreciation Day is celebrated each year on the Friday before Mother's Day. It is estimated that there are nearly 2.8 million child care providers in the United States and that more than 11 million children under age 5 are in their care.



May 6, 2011 is Provider Appreciation Day. We want you to know that your hard work and dedication is appreciated *every* day!

**WELCOME NEW PROVIDERS**

We would like to welcome the following new providers who have joined the food program in February and March of 2011.

*Aguayo, Maria*  
*Arora, Usha*  
*DeGallo, Luz*  
*Johri, Samra*  
*Kaur, Jasbir*  
*Lampart, Barbara*  
*Lemasters, Jenna*  
*Mikailoglu, Arit*

*Mukherjee, Rosa*  
*Orihuela-Candia, Maritza*  
*Osorio, Claudia*  
*Ryder, Heather*  
*Salinas, Fabiola*  
*Sanchez, Elizabeth*  
*Weiford, Jamie*  
*Wells, Linda*

We look forward to working with each of you. Please feel free to contact your field specialist or call our office at 1-800-735-5434 if you have any questions.

**BEANBAG FUN**

Arrange the children in scatter formation or a circle. Do the following fun beanbag activities with the children. The child puts the bean bag on their:

- arm
- stomach
- hand
- foot
- head
- leg
- knee
- shoulder
- back

Other beanbag activities include:

- balancing it on your head
- putting it on the floor and walking around it or jumping over it
- tossing and catching it



**NEW IMMUNIZATION REGULATIONS**

Effective April 1, 2011, there are new requirements for children's immunization documentation.

- An immunization form must be in the child's record by the date of the child's admission.
- The immunizations must be recorded and dated on either the Health Department form (MCH 213 F or MCH 213 G) or a physician's form, have the child's name, and be signed or stamped and dated by a licensed physician, the physician's designee, or an official of a local health department.
- For all immunizations a child receives after 7/1/2011, the form must contain a statement that the child is adequately immunized.
- If a physician's form is used, Health Department form (MCH 213 F or MCH 213 G) is not required to be in the child's record, nor attached to the physician's form.
- The requirements for updates every six months for children under the age of 2 and between the child's 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> birthday remain the same. The form used to record these updates must contain all the information above.
- If a provider has conditionally admitted a child whose immunizations are not complete, there must be documentary proof that the child has at least one immunization shot and there is a schedule for completion of all required immunizations. At the end of the 90 day conditional enrollment period, the child's record must contain all the information listed above.

**NEW POSTAGE RATES**

Effective April 17, 2011 postage is due to increase. The cost to mail a large claim envelope is \$ .88 with only 2 pages! The cost for each additional ounce has increased from \$ .17 to \$ .20. Please be sure to use the proper amount of postage to avoid any delays. The best way to insure the correct postage is to take the envelope to the post office to be weighed.

**MARCH / APRIL WINNER**

Congratulations to Elenoria Glover from Orange, provider #1722! Her name was chosen in the drawing. She has received a \$25 gift certificate for Applebees®.

Thank you to everyone who entered.

**NEWSLETTER DRAWING**

We would like to give you an opportunity to receive a gift card to a local restaurant to say thank you for all you do!

All providers who submit their name from this newsletter will be entered in the drawing. You may also email your entry to [sheilaj@cni-usda.org](mailto:sheilaj@cni-usda.org). Be sure to mention the May/June 2011 Newsletter in your email.

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**MAY/JUNE 2011 ENTRY**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDER NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_



**FUN FOOD FACTS**

- Lettuce is a member of the sunflower family.
- Small pockets of air inside the berry cause the cranberry to bounce. The air also causes the cranberries to float in water.
- Grapes are more than 85% juice.
- Most of the world's macadamia nuts are grown on the island of Hawaii.



**UPCOMING TRAININGS**

Child Nutrition, Inc. is pleased to offer the following trainings:

***Cent\$ible Meals***

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**DATE:** May 10, 2011  
**TIME:** 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Ashburn Library  
 43316 Hay Road  
 Ashburn VA 20147

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**DATE:** May 26, 2011  
**TIME:** 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Cascades Library  
 21030 Whitfield Place  
 Potomac Falls VA 20165

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**DATE:** June 11, 2011  
**FROM:** 10:15 AM to 12:15 PM  
**PLACE:** Woodrow Wilson Library  
 6101 Knollwood Drive  
 Falls Church VA 22041

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**FROM:** 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Woodrow Wilson Library  
 6101 Knollwood Drive  
 Falls Church VA 22041

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**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**

These trainings are offered free of charge. Participants will receive a certificate for 2 training hours. Seats are limited so please call 1-800-735-5434 or send an email to [sheilaj@cni-usda.org](mailto:sheilaj@cni-usda.org) to reserve your seat today.